

# JUNEAU COMMISSION ON AGING WORKGROUP COMMITTEE MINUTES

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May 7, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

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## A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Craig called the Juneau Commission on Aging Planning Workgroup Sub Committee meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Present: Chair Deborah Craig, Linda Kruger, Carol Ende, and Jennifer Garrison

Absent: Ann Stepetin, Kimberly Adkison, Jennifer Carson, and Emily Kane were not able to attend but later emailed support of the JCOA's efforts.

Others Present: none

## B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as amended by Chair Craig to add discussion of the JCOA website.

## C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from previous Workgroup Meeting approved as presented. Jennifer moved and Carol seconded.

## D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public was present.

## E. AGENDA TOPICS

A. JCOA website – Chair Craig walked Commissioners through the draft website. Di Cathcart made the changes requested and included great additions! We will recommend a darker, larger font for readability on various pages but otherwise the group unanimously approved the website to go live.

B. JCOA Proposal Concept Discussion - We are proposing a CBJ Community Center using a portion of the Marie Drake Complex that has become available via the CBJ for community use.

- a. Since the first discussions of JCOA priorities (Age Friendly Planning, Recreation and Housing) Linda Kruger and Deb Craig met CBJ City Manager Katie Koester, Actin/Deputy Mayor Michelle Hale; and SAIL/ADRC Executive Director Joan O'Keefe. Linda, Deb, and Jennifer G. met with John Brett from SEARHC about senior Wellness programming. We have also reached out to CCS Director Erin Walker-Tolles and are seeking meetings with Bartlett Regional Hospital and Juneau Community Foundation.
- b. Emily Kane reached out to Blue Shibley/AEYC about their proposal for Marie Drake. Chair Craig also followed up with Blue resulting in JCOA and seniors being incorporated into the AEYC proposal. AEYC is asking for the two-story portion of Marie Drake and JCOA is proposing requesting primary use of the gym, locker rooms and space in the one-story portion of the building for a Senior Recreation and Wellness Center. There would be ample opportunities for seniors who want to engage with youth to participate in activities in the AEYC Commons Room, a multigenerational space. AEYC has already named JCOA in their

proposal that has already been submitted to the CBJ and has already indicated that AEYC will be furnishing the Commons Room to accommodate multigenerational activities but there is a need for coordination of activities.

- c. JCOA is proposing creation of a **CBJ Office of Aging** supported by an Age-Friendly Coordinator who would primarily engage in Age-Friendly Community Planning using the AARP model. We are also proposing as **Senior Recreation and Wellness Center** space at the Marie Drake complex supported by a part time Recreational Coordinator who will coordinate recreational activities in this space. Lastly, the JCOA is proposing to support the concept of the Marie Drake Complex becoming a “**CBJ Community Center**” that serves the entire community with child care, senior recreational services and access to space that offers opportunities for recreation, socialization and an array of activities.
- d. The **CBJ Community Center** will include AEYC child care with our multigenerational component, the Planetarium, a gym and classroom space for a Senior Wellness and Recreational Center that also serves the entire community with regard to recreational, classroom and meeting space.
- e. **We will be discussing the proposal at the CBJ Human Resources Committee on 5/13 at 5PM at the Assembly Chambers and all members are welcome.** Proposals for utilization of CBJ space must be submitted by 5/20. Carol moved and Jennifer seconded to support giving a presentation on 5/13 to the Human Resources Committee and to submit the proposal as outlined in this meeting. There were no dissenting votes.

**G. NEXT MEETING DATE**

May 14, 2024 via Zoom at 3:00pm

**I. ADJOURNMENT** meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.